

To: Ed Brookover[ed@avenuestrategies.com]
From: Beck, Nancy
Sent: Mon 5/22/2017 11:53:16 PM
Subject: RE: Information/potential meeting request

Ed,

I received some information from the Office of Air and Radiation:

● On January 9, 2017, EPA published a draft notice of the agency's rationale for granting petitions asking us to list nPB as a HAP. We are still in the comment period on that notice—which has been extended. Once the comment period closes we will consider all the comments. A final notice granting the petitions to add nPB to the HAP list would bring categories or subcategories of major sources and area sources emitting nPB into consideration for development of national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants. At this point a determination has not been made.

Regards,

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Ed,

You are absolutely correct.

1-bromopropane is indeed one of the draft assessments we have started. A docket was opened when we announced the list of 10 in December and on Feb 14th we had a public meeting and released some preliminary information ([see here](#)). As the statute gives us 6 months to complete scoping, on June 19th we will be releasing scope documents for the first 10 chemicals, including 1- bromopropane. This is the first phase of our risk evaluation process which can take up to 3 yrs. ***There will only be a regulation if*** the completed risk evaluation makes a finding of unreasonable risk.

I hope this is helpful.

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Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 1:30 PM

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Hey Nancy. I've just been informed that nPB is also referred to as 1 bromopropane (1 BP) in much of the EPA materials. I'm so sorry for not including this information in my original correspondence. Can you check on where 1 bromopropane is in the rule making process? I do believe it was included in the original list of 10 chemicals for EPA to review in a November 29, 2016 announcement of initial evaluations to take place under TSCA. And frankly I'm not sure

how it was referred to in the petition to include the chemical under a HAP designation. I will share more info with you as I learn it as well.

Again, this is for research purposes only. I apologize for not including this information in my initial inquiry.

Ed

On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 9:11 AM, Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Ed,

I've been working to try to see what may be in the pipeline.

As far as my office goes, nPB is not on list of the first 10 chemicals that will be assessed under TSCA. Nor do we have any registered pesticide use with nPB. I put a check in to the air office to see if they have any activities but have not heard back yet. When I do hear I will let you know.

Regards,

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Hi Nancy,

Ed Brookover here with Avenue Strategies. My friend and former colleague Charles Munoz suggested I reach out to you.

We are doing some research on the current EPA rule-making process regarding the cleaning chemical n propyl bromide (nPB).

Specifically, there are two potential EPA actions that we are trying to learn more about.

First, would be any potential EPA rule under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), as amended in 2016, determining potential usage of nPB and/or the fact that nPB was on the EPA's November 29, 2016, list of High Priority Chemicals for risk evaluation purposes.

Second, would be any potential rule-making naming nPB as a Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAP), given that on March 6, 2017, EPA publicly announced it had received a petition requesting that this action be taken.

Our questions surround these processes and the January 20, 2017, Memorandum from White House Chief of Staff Reince Preibus directing that all federal departments and agencies immediately freeze most pending rules and regulations in order to allow the Trump Administration sufficient time to review all such proposed rules and regulations prior to public release and implementation.

What is the current status of the processes for either or both of these potential rule-making processes and nPB vis-à-vis the January 20th Memorandum? We would welcome as much information as possible about how the EPA plans on moving ahead with these matters.

Could we stop by and have a brief meeting and discussion with you on these questions?

Thank you very much for your attention to these matters.

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